



Attorney Docket No. 1600.20 (formerly 2318-368)

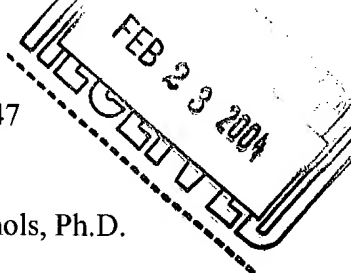
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ROCH et al.)
Serial No.: 09/975,072)
Filed: October 12, 2001)
For: PROTEIN-PROTEIN INTERACTIONS IN)
NEURODEGENERATIVE DISORDERS)

Group Art Unit: 1647

Examiner: C. J. Nichols, Ph.D.



February 09, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Applicant(s) hereby requests a one-month extension of time for filing a response to OFFICE ACTION dated October 20, 2003.

A response to the OFFICE ACTION was due on January 20, 2004, and the instant petition and the concurrently filed Continuation-in-part application (Attorney Docket No. 1600.24) claiming priority to the above-captioned application are being deposited on February 9, 2004. Therefore, a one-month extension is appropriate to extend the pendency of this application for the purpose of claiming priority.

This petition is accompanied with a fee transmittal sheet providing for the necessary fee of \$ 110.00 as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1) for a large entity.

It is not believed that any other extension of time, or any other fee is required in connection with this communication. However, if an extension of time (and extension fee) or other fees are required, such an extension of time is hereby petitioned for and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1627.

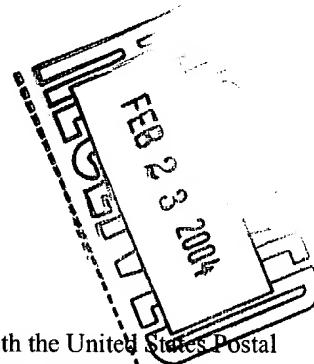
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